

Col. Marlborough Churchill, head of the military intelligence section of the United States Army general staff.

NEW DRAFT RULES ARE IN PROSPECT

Washington.-New regulations un der which the government would do the selecting, rather than leaving it to the registrent are under consideration by the war department. This was disclosed by Secretary Baker after be had appeared before the senate milltary committee to urge prompt enactment of the new selective service act extending the age limits to include all men between the ages of 18 and 45.

The war secretary made it plain that he is not satisfied with the present system under which the registrant must claim deferred classification, as many men with dependents hesitate for patriotic reasons to make such a

In this connection Mr. Baker said was inclined to the opinion that the marriage relation will in itself onstitute deferred classification.

What Mr. Baker has in mind is to lay down a set of questions which the registrant would answer and then have rules which would take care of the classification. He is understood to regard this as the fair and equi-

CASUALTIES TOTAL 20,112

Casualties Reported by General Persh ing Aggregate 4916.

lic Sunday aggregated 457, bringing the total for the week to 4916 and the otal since American troops landed in France to 20,112. Most of the casualties for the week represented lesses in the fighting on the Marne-Alane

Of the total casualties announced Sunday 345 were soldiers and 87 marines, while of the week's total, which included Sunday's lists, 4198 were soldiers and 718 marines. The week's aggregate of 4516 compared with 1430

In the 20,112 casualties, total deaths. including 291 lost at sea, men killed in action, died of wounds, disease, accidents and other causes, numbered 7716; soldiers, 6882; marines, 833. The nded aggregated 10,874; soldiers, 9048; marines, 1826; and the missing. including prisoners, 1522; soldiers. 1431; marines, 91.

Finns Reject King Bill.

Amsterdam.-The bill providing for the election of a king of Finland was rejected on the third reading in the Finnish Diet because it failed to receive the necessary five-sixths ma-

Canadiana Will Go to Siberia. Ottaws.-Canada will be represented by a military unit of approximately 4000 men in the expeditionary force which the allied government will send

THE MARKETS

Oats-No. I white feed, \$58 per ton Barley Standard feed, \$54.50 too. Corn-Whole, \$75; eracked, \$76. Hay-Timothy, \$34 per ton; alfalfa

Butter-Creamery, 49c per lb. Eggs-Ranch, 48c per dozen. Potatoes-Now, \$3.25@3.75 per owl Poultry-Hens, 23@35c; brollers,

Seattle. Butter-Greamery, 53c per ib. Enga-Ranch, 53c per deten. Poultry-Huns, heavy, dressed, 56c; light, 360; broilers, dressed, 42; recet-ers, dressed, 37c; ducks, live, 30c; dressed, 36c; guese, live, 27c, dressed, GENERAL GRAVES



Major General W. S. Graves, who as been selected to command the American troops to be sent to Siberia.

YANKEES REPULSE **GERMAN ATTACKS**

With the American Army on the Vesle Front.-In attempting to dislodge the French and Antericans from positions north of the Vesle river or both sides of Fismes, the Germana launched repeated counter-attacks. without success. There was desperate fighting in the region of Fismette, where the German attacks were resuised by the Americans, who were clinging to the outskirts of the vilinge. In the region of Baroches the Ger-

mans made several vicious attacks, but the ailies successfully fought them

The Americans took a few prisoners at Flamette as a result of hand-to-hand encounters. After a second German night attack the Americans retaliated and penetrated the German lines a the enemy's first-aid field stations and took prisoner several wounded Ger

The Americans then returned to helr semi-circular positions at Fisnette and resisted all attempts of the nemy to dislodge them.

BRIEF NEWS OF THE WAR

Marshal Foch followed up his suc saful counter attack on the Soissons Theims salient by an offensive on the Picardy front, where the Germans nade their great gain last March. The bulge in the allied lines in Piand marine corps oversess made pub- bined onslaught of the British, French. Australians, Canadians and Americans and the indications are that the Germans will not only lose all they gained in their offensive in March but may be forced back to the old Hindenburg line.

The allied forces forged ahead so rapidly in Picardy that the German cetreat almost reached the proportions of a rout in places. The whole bottom of the salient flattened out in two days' fighting. The French captured the important town of Montdidier

Important German lines of comnunication have been out. Oothers are under hombardment by artillery and airplanes. The enemy retirement within the saltent is reported to be greatly congested and great numbers of men and buge quantities of material

are being cut off. The number of prisoners captured luring the first three days of the offensive is very large. It is hinted at Paris that it exceeds by far the figure given out in the official statements. Two divisional headquarters, with their staffs, are said to have been

taken. The guns and war materials ost by the enemy constitute a very heavy loss The tanks, armored cars and caval-

y worked throughout the entire reon, while airplanes soared far be and the lines, bombing transport and roop movements and also paying paricular attention to the bridges over the Somme, by which the enemy is endeavoring to escape. All behind the ine the Germans are destroying am munition depots as they quit their

There has been little fighting of great mement on the Veslo river, except in the nature of reciprocal artifery duels. The Americans have made nother crossing of the Veste and caplured the village of Fismette, northrest of Fismes.

Submarine Sinks Nine Fishing Seate. Nantucket. Mass. — Nine fishing whooners were sunk off George's suk by a German submarine, a naval scout boat which put in here reported.

U. S. Orders 1,000,000 Watches. Geneva. — American expeditionary arcos in France have ordered 1,000,-10 watches from Swiss firms.

dred and sixteen dresses have already been sent in.

were finished, filled and shipped on call for reenforcements and the condichedule time.

In the meantime every woman in the trenches the Marines did not wait tochapter should knit at least one pair the oncoming Germans but went out of socks.

Donations During July, 1018. Mrs. A. E. Prenslau, pillow C. A. Rice

Other Sources. Sale of Patterns Three Annual Memberships.

Paid Out. John Landingham, freight Ontario Furniture Co., awn-Van Petten Lumber Co.lumher for packing boxes ... C. D. Stimpson, supplies..... Postmaster, postal cards and envelopes C. D. Stimson, yarn Com. Kit Material 118 Annual Memberahips ...

Mrs. Tony de Vries of Nyssa who loing nicely now.

The little son and daughter of John Crimins had their tonsils removed at the hospital this week.

Little Nona, Frank and Avon Wilson had their tonsiis and adenoids removed this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clement of Ontario on Saturday, August 10 Washington-Casualties in the army cardy melted away before the com- a daughter. Mother and child are

> Ms. George K. Aiken had her t alls removed Saturday.

U. S. Davis of Payette is here this week receiving medical treatment for heart trouble.

An operation for appendicitis was performed on Miss Lenola Lamber-

Jacob Doransky entered the hospitil Monday to receive treatment for ome slight ailment.

Homer Mapes of the Hoskins Contruction camp is ill with typhoid at

> BUY W.S.S.-METHODIST CHURCH.

10.06 a. m. Sunday School. 11.00 a. m. Proaching, subject: The Church and Truth."

8.00 p. m. Evening services. The conference this year meets at Idaho Falis on August 19. As the mator is laying plans to take work either in Western Oregon or Washngton his work closes here with Sun-

day August 25. The following is a list of officers and committees elected at the fourth quarterly convention held Friday district suptorintendent presiding:

Trustoce: T. D. Barton, Edmund S. Butler, Dr. A. G. Moore, N. P. Grover, C. McGonagill, Dr. W. G. Howe and A. R. White.

Siewards: A. L. McDowell, Chas. Johnson, Mrs. Ettie Akers, Dr. E. S. Fortner, Chas. Hager, A. J. Whiteside, Mrs. Killion, Mrs. Ina Taggart, E. N. Wood and E. C. McDowell.

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Church Records: Edmund Butier. Auditing accounts, A. L. McDowell. Parsonage and furniture, Ladies' Ald. Church Music, A. J. Whiteside anetao Church Music, Miss Lillian Doty and A. J. Whiteside. Trier of Appeals, A. R. White.

Earl Hanns, pastor

College and the work of the same of the same

When the Germans were pounding the French in their recent drive on Paris, word was received that reenforcements were urgently needed at Owing to the order from head. Chateau Phierry. The French were quarters for an extra amount of hard pressed and could not hold out work in the line of hospital garments much longer, troops were needed It was thought best to refuse the that could rush in and do whatever extra allotment of 250 dresses to be was most needed from the building or completed by October 1. One hun. destroying of bridges, looking after refugees to fighting in whatever manner was most needed. Railway facil-The W. C. T. C. accepted as their ities were inadequate to transport work the making of 170 comfort kits troops to the front and things looked sked for by headquarters. These very black indeed for the French. The tions were reported to the Marines. Owing to insistent demands from They at once rushed out and comthe National Headquarters that no mandecred motor driven vehicles of work except by allotment be accept. every description and by morning ed by Division Headquarters it will the 75 mile trip had been made and be a short time until work on the thousands of Marines were pouring surgical dressings will be resumed, into the trenches. Once in the and met them over half way and drove them back at every smash.

Many more men with this samo raffle \$ 20.00 spirit are needed for service in the W. W. Letson 10.00 Marine Corps as Infantry, Artillery, Mrs. Rosa Berwin 1,00 Aviators, Signal men and Machine Amy E. Whipple 5..00 Gunnerh. At present men who are 1.00 Gunners. At present men who are \$ 37.00 and radio operators may enlist for special duty and will be sent East to 60 enter signal battalions now forming Nyssa Branches, for Supplies\$262.96 for duty in France. Vacancies also Big Bend Branch, supplies .. 56 65 exist for a limited number of auto 3.00 and gas engine mechanics for duty with the Marine Corps aviation and \$360_21 will be sent to the Aviation base in Southern California for duty.

Men who registered June 5th last 23_17 bave the privilege of callsting in the Marins as have all registered men 28.00 whose numbers are so low they will not be needed to fill the current 20 06 quota of their local boards. Young 24...12 men eightwen years and over may enlist and should not overlook the 4.85 Marines, as about 1500 vacancies for 962 50 commissioned officers still exist and 46.30 are open to worthy unlisted men. Men who are interested and wish to D. Stimson\$1059.04 investigate or join this branch of 59..00 service may do so through their local \$1115.04 postmanter, also at the Marine recruiting station.

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